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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of Inventors: Lee Ramage,  
 Alan B. MacDonald and Rory D. Parker

For: FLUID LOADING SYSTEM

Enclosed are also:

- ☒ (6) sheet(s) of drawings.  
☒ Applicants are entitled to Small Entity Status. See 37 C.F.R. 1.27(d)

Claims as Filed  
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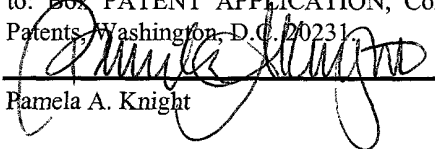
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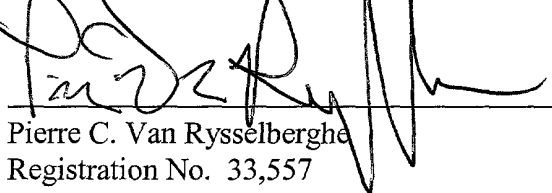
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